

Nathanson v. Medical College of Pennsylvania:

- **Short description:** Nathanson applied for and was granted admission to the Medical College of Pennsylvania (MCP). Nathanson had several discussions with school officials regarding injuries she sustained in a car accident and the barriers her injuries posed to pursuing studies at MCP. Nathanson claimed she had made clear to school officials that she would need certain accommodations, mainly a special chair, in order to participate in medical school training. School officials argued that Nathanson never made her requirements clear. Nathanson sued MCP alleging violations of the Rehabilitation Act and tortious interference with contract.
- **Procedural setting:** MCP moved for summary judgment and the District Court granted MCP summary judgment on all counts. Nathanson appealed.
- **Appellate ruling:** The majority affirmed the District Court's grant of summary judgment in favor of MCP on the tortious interference claim but reversed the District Court with regard to the Rehabilitation Act claim finding there were sufficient issues of fact requiring trial. Alito dissented and argued that Nathanson's Rehabilitation Act claim should be dismissed as well because she had not presented sufficient evidence to show that MCP failed to adequately accommodate her.